

Celebrating The Life Of
Mary Arletha Taylor

Sunrise
April 6, 1919

Sunset
December 1, 2019



Friday, December 6, 2019
10:00 AM

Saint Joseph's Catholic Church

110 Telford Street • East Orange, New Jersey 07018

Reverend Josemanuel M. Abalon, Officiating

Obituary

Mary Arletha (“Letha”) Taylor was born in Portsmouth, Virginia to the late Mary and James Hawkins on April 6, 1919. She attended school in Elizabeth, New Jersey, graduating from Battin High School. She received her RN from St. Phillip Nursing School, now Virginia Commonwealth University, and her BSN from Seton Hall University in South Orange, New Jersey. Her specialization was Nursing Administration. She retired from Division of Veterans Affairs Hospital in East Orange, New Jersey after a very illustrious career in 1985. She was the beloved wife of the late Paul Lawrence Taylor. From this union, one daughter, Paula Taylor Blanton, was born.

Mary loved life and was dearly loved and supported by her family. She was a dedicated member at her church and a member of The Rosary Altar Society. She was a lifelong member of her nursing sorority, Chi Eta Phi.

Mary loved gardening and was a master gardener. She volunteered with the Rutgers Urban Gardening program. Mary was also a talented artist and seamstress. She loved collecting dolls and traveling with her family and friends.

Mary is survived by her beloved daughter, Paula T. Blanton. She was a loving grandmother to Karima Blanton-Howard (Jerry), Ayana Blanton-Gray (Sam), and Angela Blanton. She was the devoted great-grandmother to Jayson Gray, Lauren Cordero, Julian Gray, Justin Gray, Jalen Gray, Asia Knight, Raynell Knight, and Jahlil and Keyonna Watson, and a host of other extended family and friends.



Order of Service

Mistress of Ceremonies.....	<i>Ms. Gina Cuffee</i>
Entrance Hymn.....	<i>“Be Not Afraid”</i>
Eulogy.....	<i>Gina Cuffee</i>
First Reading	<i>Isaiah 25: 7-9</i> <i>Justin Gray</i>
Responsorial Psalm.....	<i>Psalm 27</i>
Second Reading.....	<i>Romans 14: 7-9, 10-12</i> <i>Julian Gray</i>
Gospel According.....	<i>John 14: 1-10</i>

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Offertory Song.....	<i>“How Great Thou Art”</i> <i>Saunja Butler</i>
Gift Presentations.....	<i>Great-Grandchildren</i>
Communion Hymn.....	<i>“On Eagles Wings”</i>
Exit Hymn.....	<i>“Soon and Very Soon”</i>

Cremation

Rosedale Cemetery
Orange, New Jersey

Repast

Family and Friends are invited to gather here at
St. Joseph’s Catholic Church after the service

Miss Me, But Let Me Go

*When I come to the end of the
road and the sun has set for me,
I want no rites in a gloom filled room,
Why cry for a soul set free?
Miss me a little-but not too long,
and not with your head bowed low.
Remember the love that we once shared,
Miss me-but let me go.
For this is a journey that we all must take,
And each must go alone.
It's all part of the Master's plan,
A step on the road to home.
When you are lonely and sick at heart,
Go to the friends we know.
Laugh at the things we use to do
Miss me-but let me go.*

-author unknown

Acknowledgement

The family of **Mary Arletha Taylor** would like to express their sincere appreciation for the many thoughtful acts of kindness, support, prayers and concerns extended to them during their time of bereavement.

Thank You!

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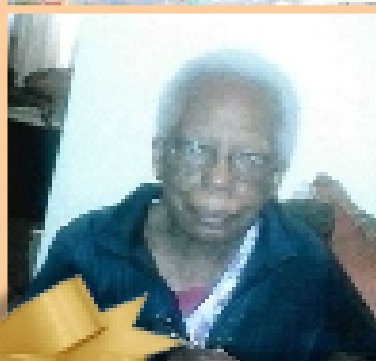
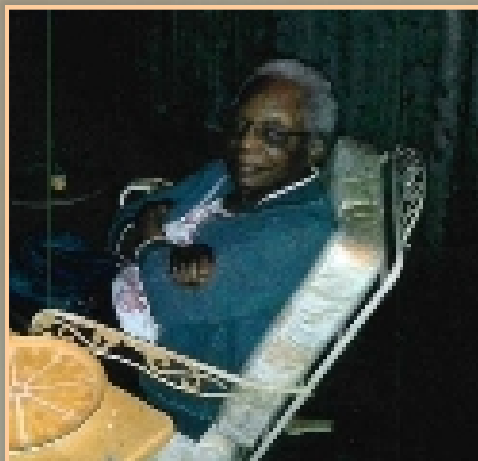
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